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SECOND ESTIMATE OF THE COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF ALL FRUITS, 1964

Estimates released in this memorandum, except where otherwise indicated, are based on reports submitted to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics by the Quebec Bureau of Statistics and Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture personnel in the various fruit growing areas. All 1964 figures are subject to revision. Reports were made as of September 15 for Ontario. Estimates for the Atlantic Provinces and Quebec were also based on conditions at the middle of September. The British Columbia crop estimates for apples and pears were released by the Provincial Department of Agriculture on August 27 and the figures on peaches, prunes and grapes were released on August 13. Accordingly all estimates apply to the situation as it existed at the time when the reports concerned were made.

TABLE 1. - Second Estimate of the Commercial Production of All Fruits 1964 with Latest Estimates for 1963

Kind of Fruit	Estimated Production				
	Volumetric Units or Pounds	Tons			
		Unit	1963	1964	1963
		'000	'000		
Canada -					
Apples.....	bu.	22,798	20,657	512,953	464,796
Pears.....	bu.	1,682	1,780	42,059	44,490
Plums and prunes.....	bu.	666	650	16,648	16,239
Peaches.....	bu.	2,462	2,810	61,544	70,238
Apricots.....	bu.	123	269	3,064	6,724
Cherries, sweet.....	bu.	401	440	10,006	10,983
Cherries, sour.....	bu.	346	582	8,648	14,560
Strawberries.....	qt.	23,176	25,909	15,369	16,932
Raspberries.....	qt.	11,909	11,725	8,443	8,346
Loganberries.....	lb.	1,461	1,422	731	711
Grapes.....	lb.	106,780	106,298	53,390	53,149
Blueberries.....	lb.	23,955	(1)	11,978	(1)
Newfoundland -					
Blueberries.....	lb.	1,401	1,250	700	625
Prince Edward Island -					
Strawberries.....	qt.	1,550	1,650	969	1,031
Blueberries.....	lb.	150	200	75	100
Nova Scotia -					
Apples.....	bu.	3,180	2,400	71,550	54,000
Pears.....	bu.	64	60	1,612	1,500
Plums.....	bu.	5	6	125	150
Strawberries.....	qt.	2,000	2,200	1,250	1,375
Raspberries.....	qt.	25	35	16	22
Blueberries.....	lb.	7,000	6,000	3,500	3,000

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	Volumetric Units or Pounds			Tons	
	Unit	1963	1964	1963	1964
		'000	'000		
New Brunswick -					
Apples.....	bu.	475	475	10,688	10,688
Strawberries.....	qt.	1,500	2,000	938	1,250
Raspberries.....	qt.	50	50	31	31
Blueberries.....	lb.	4,000	4,000	2,000	2,000
Quebec -					
Apples.....	bu.	5,298	3,765	119,205	84,712
Strawberries.....	qt.	6,558	5,500	4,099	3,438
Raspberries.....	qt.	1,383	1,150	864	719
Blueberries.....	lb.	8,551	(1)	4,276	(1)
Ontario -					
Apples.....	bu.	5,433	6,561	122,234	147,632
Pears.....	bu.	731	920	18,272	22,988
Plums and prunes.....	bu.	427	359	10,675	8,968
Peaches.....	bu.	1,941	2,232	48,522	55,800
Cherries, sweet.....	bu.	261	240	6,515	5,995
Cherries, sour.....	bu.	346	582	8,648	14,560
Strawberries.....	qt.	4,501	8,651	2,813	5,407
Raspberries.....	qt.	2,450	2,343	1,531	1,464
Grapes.....	lb.	102,600	101,600	51,300	50,800
British Columbia -					
Apples.....	bu.	8,412	7,456	189,276	167,764
Pears.....	bu.	887	800	22,175	20,002
Plums and prunes.....	bu.	234	285	5,848	7,121
Peaches.....	bu.	521	578	13,022	14,438
Apricots.....	bu.	123	269	3,064	6,724
Cherries, sweet.....	bu.	140	200	3,491	4,988
Strawberries.....	qt.	7,067	5,908	5,300	4,431
Raspberries.....	qt.	8,001	8,147	6,001	6,110
Loganberries.....	lb.	1,461	1,422	731	711
Grapes.....	lb.	4,180	4,698	2,090	2,349
Blueberries.....	lb.	2,853	3,006	1,427	1,503

(1) Not available.

For all Provinces other than British Columbia the original estimates secured by the Bureau were stated in measures of volume (except grapes and blueberries). These were converted to tons at the following rates: 1 quart of strawberries, raspberries or blueberries = 1.25 pounds; 1 bushel of apples = 45 pounds; 1 bushel of all other tree fruits = 50 pounds (net weight). In the case of British Columbia tree fruits, the volumetric estimates were calculated as follows: 1 bushel of apples = 45 pounds; 1 bushel of all other tree fruits = 50 pounds (net weight); 1 quart of berries = 1.5 pounds.

TABLE 2. - Minimum Prices for Processing for Strawberries, Raspberries, Cherries, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Prunes and Grapes in the Province of Ontario

	1963	1964
	cents per qt.	
Strawberries(1) .....	17.0	17.5
Purple Raspberries (No. 1 grade) (1) .....	27.0	29.0
Red Raspberries (No. 1 grade) (1) .....	31.0	32.5
	dollars per ton	
White sweet cherries(2) .....	260.00	260.50
Black sweet cherries(2) .....	280.00	295.50
Black sweet cherries for brining purposes(2) .....	-	210.50
Sour cherries(2) .....	200.50	130.50(3)
Bartlett pears(2)		
not less than 2 inches in diameter .....	115.00	107.50
not less than 1 3/4 inches and less than 2 inches in diameter .....	70.00	67.50
less than 1 3/4 inches in diameter .....	70.00	67.50
Kieffer pears(2)		
not less than 2 1/16 inches in diameter .....	58.50	59.00
not less than 1 3/4 inches and less than 2 1/16 inches in diameter .....	34.50	34.50
All varieties other than Bartlett or Kieffer .....	70.00	67.50
Peaches(2) .....		
Jubilee, Marilyn, Victory, Elberta and all other varieties of the Elberta Type .....	103.50	111.50
Other varieties .....	98.50	106.50
Plums and Prunes(2)		
Felenburg, German and Stanley prunes .....	82.50	85.50
Damson plums .....	85.50	100.50
Other varieties .....	63.00	68.50
Grapes, Delaware, Dutchess, Muscat, President, Marshall Foch, Johanisburgh Riesling and Seibel White S9110, S10868, S6468 .....	152.00	152.00
All other varieties .....	102.00	102.00

(1) Source: Ontario Berry Growers' Marketing Board.

(2) Source: Ontario Tender Fruit Growers' Marketing Board.

(3) This price does not include any payments which may be made under the Agricultural Stabilization Act in respect of the the 1964 crop.

TABLE 3. - Estimate of Commercial Production of Apples, Pears, Peaches, Apricots, Cherries, Sweet and Sour, Strawberries and Grapes in United States 1963 and 1964

Kind of Fruit	Estimated Production				
	Volumetric Unit	Units or Pounds		Tons	
		1963	1964	1963	1964
	'000	'000			
United States -					
Apples(1) .....	bu.	125,505	145,870		
Pears(2) .....	bu.	19,378	29,308	476,825	717,157
Peaches(2) .....	bu.	73,789	74,283	1,770,936	1,782,792
Apricots(2) .....	bu.	8,346	9,167	200,300	220,000
Cherries, sweet(1) .....	bu.	2,504	4,061	70,100	113,700
Cherries, sour(1) .....	bu.	2,897	8,598	81,110	240,750
Strawberries(3) .....	qt.	340,566	339,319	255,424	254,489
Grapes(2) .....	lb.	7,586,820	6,994,500	3,793,410	3,497,250
California -					
Strawberries(3) .....	qt.	158,760	138,000	119,070	103,500

- (1) Source: Crop Production as of August 11, 1964 - United States Department of Agriculture.
- (2) Source: Crop Production as of September 10, 1964 - United States Department of Agriculture.
- (3) Source: Fruit Situation - June, 1964 - United States Department of Agriculture.

The United States Department of Agriculture published the original estimates of apples, pears and peaches in bushels; apricots, cherries, sweet and sour, and grapes in tons; strawberries in pounds. Conversion rates used to express pears and peaches in tons were: 1 bu. of pears = 50 lb. except California where 1 bu. = 48 lb.; 1 bu. of peaches = 48 lb. Conversion rates used to express apricots and cherries in bushels were: 1 bu. of apricots = 48 lb.; 1 bu. of cherries = 56 lb. Strawberries were converted at the rate of 1 qt. = 1.5 lb. (Conversion Factors and Weights and Measures for Agricultural Commodities and Their Products - United States Department of Agriculture, May, 1952).

TABLE 4. - Forecast of Apple Production in England & Wales - 1964, with Latest 1963 Figures(1)

	Estimated Production			
	1963	1964	1963	1964
	'000 bushels		'000 tons	
Dessert Apples .....	14,779	16,576	333	373
Cooking Apples .....	11,399	14,734	256	332
TOTAL .....	26,178	31,310	589	705

(1) Source: Commonwealth Economic Committee from Ministry of Agriculture, Aug. 31, 1964 estimated.

TABLE 5. - Provisional Estimate of Apple Production in France, 1964(1), as at August 1, with comparable 1963 Figures

	Estimated Production			
	1963	1964	1963	1964
	'000 bushels		'000 tons	
Table Apples .....	48,369	52,626	1,088	1,184

(1) Source: Commonwealth Economic Committee.

TABLE 6. - Estimated Apple Production in Western Germany, 1964(1) with final 1963 Figures(2)

	Estimated Production			
	1963	1964	1963	1964
	'000 bushels		'000 tons	
Apples .....	96,096	57,653	2,162	1,297

(1) August 10 estimate.

(2) Source: Commonwealth Economic Committee.

(3) It is estimated that one half the crop is cider fruit.

TABLE 7. - Estimated Apple Production in Italy, 1964 with Comparable 1963 Figures(1)

	Estimated Production			
	1963	1964	1963	1964
	'000 bushels		'000 tons	
Apples .....	114,463	112,425	2,575	2,530

(1) Source: Commonwealth Economic Committee.

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